FISHING FOR TURTLES. When the Shell-Backed Monster Bites Run

Like a Steer. Terrapin or turtle farms are run in the South and on the Pacific coast, but the business has only been tried in New England as an experiment. As experiments, many of these have been failures, so far as a money making basis is concerned, and many are now kept up for the pleasure of the owner, or by some hotel keeper who takes pride in serving turtle soup unadulterated.

In Cumberland, R. I., there is a small pond that is well stocked with this toothsome food animal. It is a small sheet of water, covering about an acre, and located near Diamond Hill. This that he does not intend to give it to the small pond is fairly alive with the hard- State or to any particular municipality shelled monsters, and many an hour's or society, but to trustees, for the use of sport is found upon the banks. The pond is surrounded by a meadow, and an early visit, while the dew is on the grass, shows innumerable small paths where the turtles have been walking for exercise and in search of food during the

While there is a great amount of pleasure in eating turtle soup, there is | tant. an equal amount in catching the "critter." During the early morning hours, after his lordship has returned from his walk is the best time to fish for him. This may seem strange, but fishing for them is the only method used here to capture them. They will be motionless near the surface, their great heads sticking out of the water like the end of a big stick. If a fly or a bug falls into the water, down goes the turtle, and in an instant it has a luscious morsel. An earthworm is a desirable feast for a turtle, and these are generally used for bait. The tackle is very primitive, and consists of a strong line and a codfish hook. Bait the book with a large bunch of worms, and throw in where the turtle was last seen, or if its head is out of water, throw the bait directly in front of it. The bite is very easy, and when a short pull on the line communicates the fact to the angler that a turtle ly and quickly. A sharp jerk will generally fasten the hook into the horny mouth, and then the fun begins, especially if the turtle is a forty-pounder. It is one thing to fasten on to the turtle and another thing to land it safely. The chances are greatly in favor of the turtle if a novice is at one end of the line, and an expert fares but little better if the turtle happens to take the bait near the bottom. The great secret in the landing of the game is to keep it from the bottom. As soon as the turtle finds itself hooked it makes for the soft mud on the bottom, and is as safe there as a covey of birds which takes to the swamp for protection when pursued by the hunter.

The novice will invariably try to land his first turtle by pulling in the line hand over hand. By the time ten feet of the line is in there is a strong pull as if a snag had been struck, and it generally proves to be a snag. The turtle sinks into the mud, and it is almost impossible to move it.

The only way to land the game is to take the line over your shoulder as soon as you feel the strike, and run as rase as possible. As long as the turtle is kept in the water and on the jump you are sure of the game. As soon as it is landed it is killed by shooting it in the head.-Providence Journal.

# EDUCATION OF GIRLS.

The Subject Discussed By Well-Known So clety Matrons.

"I think that a young lady's education, like charity and every other good quality, should begin at home," said Mrs. William Windom, wife of the Secretary of the Treasury. "She should first of all be thoroughly instructed in domestic duties. I should be very sorry to have a daughter of mine assume the responsibility of a home and house of her own without possessing such knowledge. Perhaps it is not essential that she should be perfectly familiar with every trifling detail, but she should be sufficiently so to be thoroughly mistress of her own house and to perfectly understand the all-important art of making home comfortable and attractive."

Mrs. Windom thinks that woman is deeply to be pitied who knows so little of household affairs as to be absolutely dependent upon the superior knowledge of a servant. Yet how many a woman is there of the Dora Copperfield type who scarcely dares to give servants an order because she feels that in all such matters she is a goose and the servant knows she is.

"If they are educated to be good women, with good common sense, they are pretty sure to do the right thing at the right time," said Mrs. William H. H. Miller, wife of the Attorney-General when asked how our daughters should

be educated. "We hear a great deal nowadays about the society girl," she continued, "and about how girls should be educated to shine in society. For my own part I can not endure the term 'society girl,' nor the idea of having a girl's education directed to making her attractive in society. I believe that what is called society in the personal columns of the newspapers is but a very slight incidental part of every sensible girl's life, and I believe that the girls who are most attractive in society are those who are most attractive at home.

"From her earliest years every girl, no matter what her station in life, should be made to feel an interest in all that pertains to housekeeping."

"Every young woman who desires to be and to appear intelligent must be well read in the general information of the day," said Mrs. James McMillan, wife of the junior Senator from Michigan. "At the same time I think a great many young ladies devote a great deal too much attention to reading newspapers. This class of publications is now so voluminous, and their contents are so largely made up of personal gossin.

that one may read and read and yet gain very little that is of any practical Queer and Palatable Dishes Eaten Without advantage, that is worth remembering, or that can be remembered without a severe mental effort, because it is so trifling in character."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

# A REDWOOD GROVE.

Plan For a Public Park That Will Be Un-

lil e the Others. The newspapers have got hold of a story that our townsman, Colonel Armstrong, is to present the State with a tract of redwood land in Sonoma County for a parle We made inquiry of the donor and found the rumor correct, only the people, for posterity and for all time. This magnificent gift of 600 acres lies in Big Bottom, near the extremity of the branch of the San Francisco & North Pacific railwwy, about one mile from the river at Guerneville in Sonoma County, and accessible by rail from San Francisco, which is seventy miles dis-

It is the last considerable tract of these big trees in this region or so near the city. Of course there are other scopes of scattered timber in the hills, scrubby in growth and out of the way. But this is a grand forest of monstrous trees, much on level land, bordered by the side of the Mount Jackson range, with tree trunks from five to fifteen feet in diameter and more than three hundred feet high, intermingled with various other sorts of growth, occasional firs, laurel and other woods adding to the beauty of the spot.

The donor says the gift will not be fully appreciated for the next fifty years. Then, when no other spot like it can be found in reach, his motive will be understood. The trustees will be selected about as follows: Perhaps the chairman of the Golden Gate park trustees, of San Francisco; the landscape gardener of Central park, New is at the other end, he must act careful- York City; the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of California, and a local trustee in this county. These gentlemen and their successors forever will have control, und but few restrictions in the deed of trust. One will be that no timber shall ever be cut or trimmed, unless it be blown down. Another condition will be that the park shall not be a place for encampment for fear of fire, and shall only be visited in daylight.

> There will be drives, paths and the like, as well as many ornamental structures, and a gateway and fountains in keeping with its purpose, for which a sufficient endowment is to be placed in the hands of the trustees. The details can not be given for publication, nor, in fact, are they completed. But it is understood that some of the work will be done in the time of the owner, and that he will retain control for the present and as long as he lives. Out of the 600 acres about 200, with valuable improvements, orchards, buildings, etc., are being put into condition for yielding a considerable income, and much of it is as fine land as lies in Russian river

After its income may no longer he re quired by the family it is provided that it shall become part of the park, and the trustees will be directed to use such portion as may be convenient to erect glass houses for propagating strange plants, flowers, trees and shrubs, to be used in bordering the drives and ornamenting the ground. It will be seen from the sketch that the plan is for posterity, and it will take a long while to work it out, though in the main the natural features of a wild forest are in tended to predominate always. - Cloverdale Reveille.

# PERFECT GINGER-BREAD.

The Ingredients to Be Employed and How to Mix Them.

There are very few housekeepers who do not think they know all about making ginger bread, but good ginger bread, served as it should be, hot and deliciously tender and spicy, is not ordinarily met with. It is true of ginger bread, as of other cake, that the best results can be obtained by using the best ingredients. Butter, not lard, must be used for shortening. Ginger bread will always be tenderer if the soda used to raise it is in the milk and poured hot over the other ingredients. Sour cream is delicious in a soft ginger cake, but ginger bread is better made with sweet milk. There is always enough acid in molasses to act with the soda and raise the cake without using sour milk or cream of tartar. Mix together two cups of molasses and a cup of softened butter. Heat a cup of milk and stir into it two heaped teaspoonfuls of soda. Add a handful of sifted flour to the mclasses and butter, and as soon as the milk and soda boil pour them in and add flour till the mixture is as stiff as it can be stirred. Flour a board, lay the ginger bread on it, dredge flour over it and roll it. Lay it in sheets in a buttered baking tin. Crease it across and bake it in a very quick oven till just done. If it is baked too long it will dry; but if taken out at the right time, tender and delicious. It requires experience to take the cake out at just the proper time and mix it to the requisite softness. This cake was a regular standby in one family, where the table was noted for its epicurean delicacies and fine cooking. No one seemed to prepare this ginger bread so perfectly as one old aunty whose name this cake bore in the family. The secret of her success was probably in her rapidity of movement. The oven was always hot before she began; and before an ordinary worker had fairly begun work her cake was in the oven and was baked almost as soon and ready to serve. -N. Y. Tribune.

-There is wheat enough at Portland, Ore., to load fifty-seven ships and to give \$2,000,000 to the farmers.

AFRICAN COOKERY.

Much Ceremony. As a rule only one principal meal is eaten in Central Africa, in the early part of the evening. It usually consists of parrot soup, roasted or stewed monkeys, alligator eggs (also well liked by Europeans) and birds of every description. They also have moambo, or palm chops, and fish. A great delicacy, so considered by Europeans and natives alike, is elephant's feet and trunk. These have somewhat the taste of veal. To prepare them the natives dig a hole about five feet deep in the sand and in it build a large fire. After the sand is thoroughly heated the fire is removed, leaving only the ashes in the hole. The trunk and feet are placed in this hole and covered with leaves, and afterwards with hot sand. In two hours they are

All carcasses of animals which are to be cooked are placed on a block of wood and pounded until every bone is broken, care being taken not to tear or bruise the skin. They are then boiled or roasted on an open wood fire or in hot sand or ashes, without removing the hide or feathers. The cooking is of a very inferior grade, the only spices used being salt and pepper. The kitchen utensils consist of common earthen or wooden ware. Very little time is taken for setting or decorating the table; knives, forks and napkins are dispensed

Africans have several vegetables well liked by Europeans. N'gutti-n'sengo is a dish eaten all over Africa. It consists of egg plant, small fish somewhat like our sardines and the roots of the cassava or manioca plant (called n'gutti), which have a knotty appearance and often

weigh as much as twenty pounds. As the latter contains poison, the manioca is soaked in water for three to four days to extract the poisonous substance. It is then cut and sliced and small tomatoes are added. All is placed in a vessel with water and seasoned with or, as the Europeans call it, palm chops, is also a favorite dish. The palm nuts are first boiled in water until the pulpy substance loosens from the pit, then the shell, which contains a very delicious oil, is placed in a wooden mortar and crushed to obtain the oil. Whatever the meal consists of, meat, fish, mussels, is put in a vessel, adding the oil and the pulpy part of the palm nut, also red pepper and salt, and is boiled. Roast or boiled squash (loenge) is generally eaten with it. Sweet potatoes (m'balla benga) are more farinaceous and sweeter than ours, but do not taste so good. They are boiled or roasted.

Bananas (bitaebe) weigh about half a pound each and are about fifteen inches long. When half ripe they are cut in slices and boiled in water with salt and

N'sensi is a little red bean, which is boiled in water without salt or pepper, and is freely eaten. For peanut bread (chisulu) the peanuts are first roasted and then crushed. This mass is then rolled and put into the skin of a banana, adding a little pressure, forming it into a body. It readily retains this shape in the peanut.-N. Y. World.

# THE SPOTTED NEGRO.

One of the Strangest Freaks Ever Produced By Nature.

In the early part of the present century, some authorities say 1808, George Alexander Gratton, the famous spotted negro, was born on the island of St. Vincent, both of his parents being coalblack natives of Africa. Even among the half-civilized inhabitants of St. Vincent Gratton was such a curiosity that they readily paid \$1 each for the privilege of seeing what was then termed "the eighth wonder of the world."

The superstitious prejudices of the mongrel negro population placed the freak in such danger of being sacrificed that it was deemed advisable to ship him to England. The child was about fifteen months old when he landed with his parents in Bristol. In color his skin was everywhere parti-colored, transparent white and brownish black. On the crown of his head there were several perfect white triangles with black ones of equally perfect contour within them, which were formed by the odd alterations in the color of the hair, or wool. On his back, almost directly between the shoulders, there was an almost perfect circle with a square of black upon the inside, which in turn had a white triangle in its center. On one leg there was a circle similar to that on the back, all the other spots, except the numerous triangles on the head neck and face, having no uniformity whatever, being great blotches of white on the black surface with no seeming regard for place or situation.

When nearly five years old this remarkable specimen of the genus homo died of a swelling of the jaw, which, b.nd. curious to say, eliminated nearly every spot from the head, neck and face. -St. Louis Republic.

-A small boy living in Ventura, Cal., went out into a vacant lot and stood upon his head. This is as natural a position for a small boy to assume as any other, but in this instance, unfortunately, the lad was not sufficiently careful in choosing his ground, for in putting down his head he placed it directly upon the body of a large gopher snake that chanced to be taking a sun bath just there. A small boy is very heavy sometimes, and the snake was irritated. Quick as a flash it slid out from under the boy's head, and, turning, bit him directly upon the lower lip. The wound was painful, although not at all danger-

-Indignant Bicyclist-"Madam, your dog snaps at me every time I pass. Here he comes now." [Starts off.] Old Lady-"Sport! Sport! you foolish dog! Come here. Them ain't bones. Them's legs."-N. Y. Weekly.

# REMEDY

MISSOURI NOTES.

-The Methodists are in conference at Brookfield.

-The Joplin club opened their new club rooms Monday night.

-Joplin is to have free mail delivery beginning about July 1.

half of them, have the measles.

-Aurora is crowing over the establishment of a normal school there. -The change of venue law is pronounced a gigantic failure after a fair a. m. and arrives Chicago 9:15

just now attracting considerable atten-

-The proposition to make Rich Hill a third class town was snowed under Saturday.

-One hundred and fifty prospectors went to work in the Aurora lead district last week. -Missouri will receive \$647,000

for its share of the district tax refunding scheme. -When a Nevada woman want

salt and pepper and boiled. Moambo, to create a sensation she dresses up in men's clothes and takes in the town. -Missourians kick because the

> state legislature is not as rapid as that of Kansas in the transaction of busi--Missouri finances are in excellent

shape. Saturday a warrant was drawn for \$650,000 to pay the bonds NEW YORK. to be called in March 15.

-The "card of thanks" fiend now resides at Cameron. He is greatly in. You can save time and money by trav debted to the populace there for "rescuing" his "household goods from the fiery flames."

—The abstract men of the state are trembling with fear lest the general assembly pass a law empowering the J. WALDO, county courts to employ some competent person to make a complete set of abstract books.

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